



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Pierre BARBERIS et al.
Serial No.: 10/565,481 Confirmation No.: 2123
Filed: January 20, 2006
For: A METHOD OF FABRICATING A ZIRCONIUM ALLOY
FLAT PRODUCT, A PRODUCT AS OBTAINED
THEREBY, AND A FUEL ASSEMBLY ELEMENT FOR
A POWER STATION NUCLEAR REACTOR MADE
FROM SAID FLAT PRODUCT
Art Unit: 3663
Examiner: Ricardo J. Palabrica
Customer No.: 23280
Atty. Docket: 12467/8; 569.1011

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Commissioner for Patents
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May 12, 2009

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2009 applicants hereby request reconsideration of the application based on the following remarks.